## IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A shaving head comprising:
- [[-]] at least one cutting blade; and
- [[-]] actively driveable skin stretching means device arranged behind said cutting blade relative to a cutting direction of said cutting blade;
- a guard arranged in front of said cutting blade relative to said cutting direction; and

characterized by means for providing a pivot axis arranged between the shaving head and a handle attached or attachable to said shaving head, wherein said pivot axis being is arranged at least essentially parallel to said cutting blade, and

wherein said pivot axis is arranged such that a force component applied perpendicularly to said cutting direction during a shaving operation is distributed at least essentially in equal parts to said actively driveable skin stretching device and said quard.

2. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein <u>further comprising at least one spring element</u> between said shaving head and said handle when attached to the shaving head there is provided at least one spring element.

## 3. (Canceled)

- 4. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 31, wherein said guard means are is adapted to perform a hair erecting function.
- 5. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 31, wherein said guard means are adapted to perform a lubricating function.
- 6. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 31, wherein said guard means comprise comprises at least one strip arranged parallel to said cutting blade.

## 7. (Canceled)

- 8. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 31, wherein said pivot axis is arranged closer to said guard means than to said actively driveable skin stretching means device.
- 9. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein said means for providing a pivot axis parallel to said cutting blade comprise comprises a first coupling means for coupling arranged to couple said shaving head to said handle.
- 10. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means comprised comprises at least one actively driveable roller.
- 11. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 10, wherein the sense of rotation of said roller when active during a shaving operation, corresponds to its reeling sense of rotation relative to said cutting direction and that the wherein a rotational speed of the actively driven roller is higher than the rotational speed that would result from the movement of the shaving head by a user during the shaving operation.

- 12. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means are device is driven via a movement of the shaving head over skin to be shaved.
- 13. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means are device is arranged to be driveable by an electromotor.
- 14. (Previously presented) The shaving head according to claim
- 13, wherein said electromotor is associated with said shaving head.
- 15. (Previously presented) The shaving head according to claim
- 13, wherein said electromotor is associated with said handle.
- 16. (Currently amended) The shaving head according to claim 15, further comprising a second coupling means for couplingarranged to couple said skin stretching element to said electromotor.
- 17. (New) The shaving head according to claim 1, wherein said pivot axis is arranged at a position selected to distribute the NL031455-amd-08-01-08.doc 10

perpendicular force component at least essentially in equal parts to said actively driveable skin stretching device and said guard in view of friction between the guard means and a user's skin and in view of friction between the actively driveable skin stretching device and a user's skin.